

## **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) seek written and oral comments from interested persons on the development of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for Long Meadow Run and Turley Creek in Rockingham County. These streams were listed in 2002 as impaired due to violations of the State's general water quality standard (benthic) for aquatic life. The aquatic life impairment on Long Meadow Run extends from its headwaters to the confluence with the North Fork Shenandoah River, which is a total of 8.53 miles. The Turley Creek aquatic life impairment extends a total of 4.01 miles from its headwaters to the confluence with the North Fork Shenandoah River.

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and §62.1-44.19:7.C of the Code of Virginia require DEQ to develop TMDLs for pollutants responsible for each impaired water contained in Virginia's 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report.

The first public meeting on the development of these TMDLs will be held on **Wednesday, November 16, 2011, 7:00 p.m.** at J. Frank Hillyard Middle School, 226 Hawks Hill Drive Broadway, VA 22815. Directly following the meeting will be the first Technical Advisory Committee meeting to discuss several technical issues and gather additional, specific input. All are welcome to attend either or both meetings.

The public comment period for the first public meeting will end on December 19, 2011. Written comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the comments and should be sent to Tara Sieber, Department of Environmental Quality, 4411 Early Road, PO Box 3000, Harrisonburg, VA 22801, telephone (540) 574-7870, fax (540) 574-7878, or e-mail [tara.sieber@deq.virginia.gov](mailto:tara.sieber@deq.virginia.gov).